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Upon reviewing the patent it was noted that in the Abstract, line 7 of the first page of the patent, "Y-CnH2n-Y" should be deleted and the following formula added in its place $--Y-C_nH_{2n}-Y--$.

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Accordingly, applicants respectfully request the USPTO to issue the Certificate of Correction for this patent.

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Respectfully submitted,

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ABSTRACT

Primary phosphine represented by formula (1):

[Chem. 1]

R-PH₂ (1)

(wherein R represents a linear, branched, or cyclic alkyl group having 2 to 20 carbon atoms) is reacted with a compound represented by formula (2):

[Chem. 21

Y-C_nH_{2n}-Y (2)

(wherein Y represents a halogen atom or a leaving group selected from -OTs, -OTf, and -OMs, and n represents a number of 3 to 6) in the presence of a base; the product is reacted with boron trihydride, oxygen, or sulfur to obtain a phosphorus heterocyclic compound represented by formula (3):

[Chem. 31



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(wherein R represents the same as the above, n represents a number of 1 to 4, X represents a boron trihydride group, an oxygen atom, or a sulfur atom, and === represents a single bond when X is a boron trihydride group or a double bond when X is an oxygen atom or sulfur atom); the resultant compound is dimerized to produce a phosphorus heterocyclic dimer represented by formula (4):

[Chem. 41



(wherein R, n, and X represent the same as the above); and then oxygen, sulfur, or borane is removed from the resultant phosphorus heterocyclic dimer to obtain an optically active phosphorus heterocyclic dimer represented by formula (5):

[Chem. 5]



(wherein R and n represent the same as the above).